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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, UNCTAD, SU

SUBJECT: FIRST UNCTAD PREPARATORY CONFERENCE ON COTTON

REF: STATE 119870

1. SUDAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE REPRESENTED AT SUBJECT CONFERENCE BY TWO OFFICIALS OF COTTON PUBLIC CORPORATION (CPC)--MOHAMED TAHA, DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR, AND SAM IBRAHIM, HEAD OF RESEARCH. EMBOFF BRIEFED MAY 28 BY TAHA AND ACTING CHAIRMAN CPC ON SUDANESE VIEWS REF INTERNATIONAL COTTON AGREEMENT.

2. SUDANESE DO NOT FAVOR DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STOCKS OR PRICE STABILIZATION AGREEMENT. TAHA STATED THAT SUDAN ALONG WITH EGYPT ALREADY CONTROLS LONG-STAPLE COTTON MARKET. THEREFORE, HE SEES NO BENEFIT FROM AGREEMENT. AS RELATIVELY MINOR PRODUCER OF SHORT AND MEDIUM STAPLE, SUDANESE ARE CONTENT TO FOLLOW WORLD MARKET FOR THESE GRADES. TAHA TENDS TO SEE COTTON AS A NUMBER OF COMMODITIES RATHER THAN ONE SINGLE COMMODITY AND TO A DEGREE HIS VIEWS DEPEND ON STAPLE LENGTH BEING DISCUSSED. SUDAN REP BELIEVES INTERNATIONAL COTTON

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ICAC) IS USEFUL ORGANIZATION, PARTICULARLY FOR INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS AND WILL PROBABLY FAVOR CONTINUED USE OF ICAC AS FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF COTTON MATTERS.

3. SUDANESE OFFICIALS ARE WELL VERSED ON INTERNATIONAL COTTON QUESTIONS AND HAVE CLEARLY DEFINED THEIR POSITIONS.

REPRESENTATIVES LEAVING JUNE 16 FOR CONFERENCE WITH IDEA  
OF DISCUSSING ISSUES WITH OTHER DELEGATES BEFORE MEETINGS  
BEGIN. USG REPRESENTATIVES WILL FIND TAHA INTELLIGENT AND  
ENTHUSIASTIC SPOKESMAN OF SUDANESE VIEWS.  
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